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Signed Warrants—
Mayor Wise yesterday signed all the ordinances and the warrants passed upon at the meeting of the council last Monday night.

Rifles Are Here—
Captain Abercrombie of the First Company, Coast Artillery, announced last night that the rifles finally arrived and that the company will hold a drill tonight in full uniform. The rifles will be used in the drill, also.

Funeral Saturday—
The funeral of the late Alex Hellem will be held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock from Gilbaugh's funeral chapel, and interment will be in Greenwood cemetery. A steamer will leave the Callender wharf for the cemetery and friends are invited.

Came Out By Land—
C. H. Wheeler and wife reached the city yesterday afternoon after a hard drive in from the Nehalem, and left up for Portland on the Lurline last evening, to take charge of the remains of their late brother, W. M. Wheeler who died there on Tuesday last.

Untid September 15th—
Dr. J. M. Holt, of the United States Marine Hospital and Public Health department, and stationed in this city, has had his summer vacation extended two weeks, and will enjoy life at Gearhart Park until the 15th of September next, when he will return to his office and duties in this city.

New Seaside Industry—
S. E. Wren, of Portland, with a partner, Mr. Felton, will, it is said, start a box factory at Seaside at an early day; the new plant being merged with the plant of the Seaside Lumbering & Manufacturing Company. It will be a distinct and advantageous addition to the coast city's business roster.

At Local Hotel—
Elijah Smith, for many years a leading figure in the state, registered at the Occident yesterday. In former years he was president of the Oregon Improvement Company and was prominent as a railway and lumber man. He has large lumber interests in Coos Bay. He registered from Empire City, Ore.

Seven-Year Lease—
N. P. Sorenson has just closed a seven-year lease of the plant and property at Portland known as the old Smith mill and box factory, and

later, as the Union Box Company, the proprietors of which, the Messrs. Ottenhener Brothers, now retire from the business. Mr. Sorenson will open up the business on the first of the coming month.

Preparing For The Babies—
Chairman Frank Carney, and a majority of his colleagues on the Regatta Baby Show, held a meeting last evening at which the work of planning and providing for this important phase of the great festival, was started in excellent shape and there will be lots of interesting developments in this department before the hour its grand launching arrives.

Who Has Rooms—
People who have rooms for rent during the regatta week are requested to acquaint the regatta committee with the location of their houses and the number of rooms they will have for visitors. This should be done at once. So far the committee has not heard from many, and yet it is known that there are quite a number who will have rooms for visitors.

Launches From Salem—
Mayor Wise announced last night that he had received word from Salem stating that they had decided to accept Astoria's invitation to have the state capitol participate in the marine parade to be held here during the regatta, and to that end they are preparing two of their best launches that will arrive here in due time to represent that city.

Extra Caution Needed—
Dr. J. M. Holt, federal quarantine officer for this port and district, has received advices from San Francisco to the effect that three new cases of bubonic plague have developed there. It is just about one year since this horrible and contagious malady asserted itself on this coast of the Pacific; and this aggravation of the situation will move all officers and ship masters to even closer scrutiny and sharper guard, under the law, against its spread.

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A Regatta Mascot—
A soft-eyed, plump, and alert little seal found its way into the trap nets of L. Lebeck, a well known north shore fisherman, on Wednesday night last, and was brought to this city by that gentleman yesterday in his motor boat. C. M. Celler and others of the Regatta committee, hearing of the seal, conceived the idea of buying it and presenting it to the Regatta headquarters people as a mascot for the current festival which notion they acted upon and the attractive little animal was sent there and later deposited in a huge tub of water, where all day long it was the center of attraction to hundreds of citizens. Mr. Celler says the seal's name is "Regatta," or "Reggie," for short.

Big Railway Party—
Three fine private coaches arrived down on last night's A. & C. express, in which were comfortably housed the wives and families of W. L. Park, I. O. Rhoades, J. Young and M. J. Buckley; these gentlemen being prominent officials of the Harriman railway systems, and now in conference at Portland for the good of business generally, and of their several lines in particular. The party arriving last night, was met by Messrs. H. M. Adams and John McGuire of the North Bank and A. & C. lines, who paid them every courtesy. They will be shown about the city today by W. R. McKenzie, of the O. R. & N., and will depart this evening for a few days' outing on the north shore beaches, joining the gentlemen of the party at Portland on Monday next.

Word Expected Today—
Manager J. A. Brunold, of the Pacific States Telephone Company, returned from Portland yesterday. Mr. Brunold thinks it possible that the final word may be received from San Francisco and Portland today, as to the choice of the four bids recently filed for the building of the company's new station in this city by C. A. Palmberg, Ferguson & Houston, Leander Lebeck, and Axel Johansen. He could not quote the figures offered by these contracting houses, as the bids were sealed and not broached short of San Francisco. The plans and specifications call for the completion of the structure within 90 days of the acceptance of contract, and the builders must get busy on the work within three days after closing with the company. Incidentally, Mr. Brunold confirmed his inheritance of the "green sweated Pat Lawlor wore" but says he will not dare to do it except at night.

The Queen Goes Shopping—
Miss Hattie Wise, the fair Queen of the Regatta, went to Portland yesterday in company with Mrs. K. Osborn for the purpose of purchasing her royal robes for the regatta. Her sister, Miss Louise, also went with her, and probably it will prove a delightful time in the shops of the metropolis in search of the things for her royal attire. In accordance with the custom of the regatta committee, it was voted to grant the Queen a sufficient sum to cover the main expense incidental to her leading position. Perhaps it may be whispered that the committee voted to grant—as loyal subjects should—what was deemed a reasonable sum, and therefore gave the Queen \$400, and to the mere men of the committee this seemed a sum large enough to gorgeously attire the 1908 Queen of the Regatta, though it is not at all improbable that the Queen may have to use some of her own pin money to buy a few extra ribbons and other gewgaws dear to a girl's heart.

River Sneak Thieves—
The river sneak-thief is abroad on the banks of the Columbia, generally at night of course, and is being heard of everywhere. Trapper Lebeck reported yesterday morning, that his motor fish boat was invaded, near McGowan's on Wednesday night and the steering wheel, one of the best of its kind and size, deliberately unscrewed and carried away. And on this shore, the same night, a two-horse power gasoline engine was

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nearly purloined, the set-screws being detached from the plate and the thieves being frightened from their dirty task by the time it took to detach the shaft connections, during which the owner appeared and they took to flight before he could identify them. In another instance, yesterday morning at dawn, a north-shore fisherman took a rifle-shot at a sneak who was endeavoring to get away with his running lights, and made him fasten them back in place, which the thief was glad to do all the while praying the owner not to shoot any more.

"Tombstone Corner"—
A small shack of a building is being erected at the southwest corner of Commercial and Sixteenth street, which, it is said, will be used as a tombstone factory. There is already a small building occupied by a similar business a few feet to the west, and the two of them will now make a regular tombstone corner out of it. For the sick and dying patients in St. Mary's hospital, directly to the rear, the sight of the manufacture of tombstones will doubtless prove highly edifying, and especially is this very likely inasmuch as the hospital commands a magnificent view of the tombstone corner. Incidentally, it is said at the city hall that no permit was secured for the erection of the new factory, though an ordinance requires that permits be secured for the erection of buildings. Yet it is admitted that the ordinance carries with it, apparently, no means of enforcing itself, and the whole subject of the buildings, of restrictions for certain kinds of businesses, and of fire restrictions that mean anything, seem to be in more or less of a condition characterized by lawyers as in nubibus.

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Notice.
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